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TO : Assistant Director for Operations

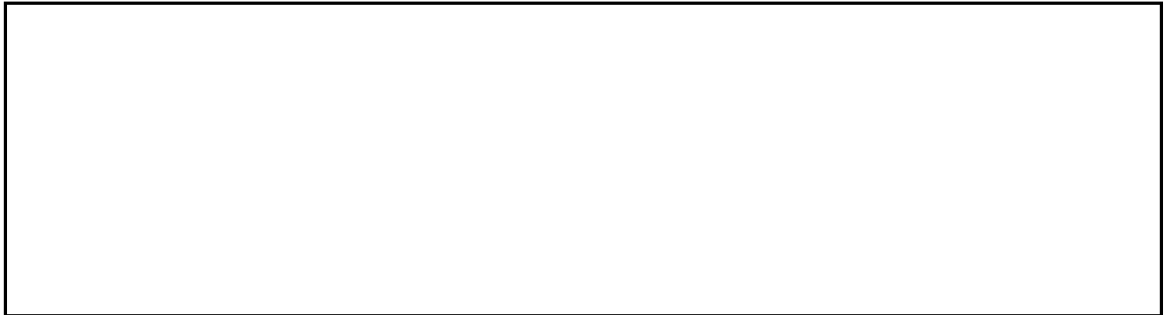
DATE: 5 April 1949

FROM : Foreign Documents Branch

SUBJECT: FDB Monthly Progress Report - March 1949

1. Implementation of Recently Proposed Plans

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b. Stockpiling of Yugoslav Publications

No documents have as yet been received by Foreign Documents Branch under agreements whereby State Department is conducting a coordinated procurement of Yugoslav publications through its own sources. A recent branch request has resulted in a query being sent to the field to determine the present status of the project.

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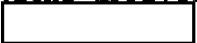
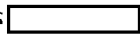
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2. Accomplishments

a. North Korean Publications

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The initial shipments of North Korean publications arrived in FDB during March as a result of arrangements made  A request  to continue similar shipments without delay has been forwarded.

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b. Current German Newspapers and Periodicals

After discussions with State Department, the initial listing of selected current German publications for procurement is nearing completion. The proposed procurement involves items from the Western zone and all items of interest from the Soviet zone.

c. Foreign Documents Branch Russian Bibliographies

The Library of Congress has expressed willingness to reproduce the bibliographies for dissemination, State Department concurring. Inasmuch as this arrangement is beneficial to both Library of Congress and Foreign Documents Branch, the matter has been brought to the attention of the Executive, CIA by the Chief, FDB. Necessary coordination with State and OCD is presently being conducted.

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